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Caution

Put all your eggs in one basket,
and—watch the basket.

Experience

We should be careful to get out of an experience only the wisdom that is in it—and stop there; lest we be like the cat that sits down on a hot stove-lid. She will never sit down on a hot stove-lid again—and that is well; but also she will never sit down on a cold one anymore.

FREEDOM

It is by the goodness of God that in our country we have those three unspeakably precious things: freedom of speech, freedom of conscience, and the prudence never to practice either.

Friendship

There is an old-time toast which is golden for its beauty. "When you ascend the hill of prosperity may you not meet a friend."

Humanity

There are times when one would like to hang the whole human race, and finish the farce.

Humor

Everything human is pathetic. The secret source of humor itself is not joy but sorrow. There is no humor in heaven.

There are three kinds of lies—lies, damned lies and statistics.

Majority

Hain't we got all the fools in town on our side? And ain't that a big enough majority in any town?

All that I care to know is that a man is a human being—that is enough for me; he can't be any worse.

Manners

Good breeding consists in concealing how much we think of ourselves and how little we think of the other person.

Profanity

In certain trying circumstances, urgent circumstances, desperate circumstances, profanity furnishes a relief denied even to prayer.

Temptation

There are several good protections against temptations, but the surest is cowardice.

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